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A. FREE LEGAL REPRESENTATION IS AVAILABLE TO ALL  
FOREIGN NATIONALS ARRESTED IN NEW SOUTH WALES IF THEY  
ARE UNABLE TO AFFORD PRIVATE COUNSEL. IN CASES INVOLVING  
TRIALS IN A FEDERAL COURT THE ACCUSED HAS A CHOICE OF  
ATTORNEYS FROM AN EXTENSIVE LIST OF FULLY QUALIFIED LAWYERS.  
FEDERAL CRIMINAL CASES HOWEVER ARE COMPARATIVELY RARE. IN  
CASES HEARD IN STATE COURTS THE ACCUSED IS  
ENCOURAGED TO ACCEPT AN ATTORNEY OF THE "PUBLIC DEFENDER"  
VARIETY BUT IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES THE DEFENDANT MAY  
ALSO BE ALLOWED TO ENGAGE AT STATE EXPENSE AN ATTORNEY  
OF HIS OWN CHOICE.

B. "PUBLIC DEFENDER" TYPE ASSISTANCE IS READILY  
AVAILABLE.

C. PUBLIC DEFENDER ATTORNEYS MUST BE A FULLY QUALIFIED  
MEMBER OF THE LEGAL PROFESSION AND IN GENERAL THEY  
ARE HELD IN HIGH REGARD BY THEIR FELLOW ATTORNEYS.  
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